



# THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER

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## Schedule of Services

- 10:00 AM Sunday Worship
- 7:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study

## Elders

- Mike Ernstberger  
270-753-2108 Home  
270-293-7027 Cell
- James Pigg  
270-759-2145 Home  
270-293-2319 Cell

## Deacons

- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

## Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison  
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## Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance, and Ronnie Gootam  
McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

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## BEGINNING A NEW YEAR

The people of Israel stood at the edge of the promised land. The hopes of this people were about to be fulfilled. Giving detailed instructions on where they should go and not go, Joshua added this comment, "For you have not passed this way before."

It is easy to lose your way in a place you have never been. In a sense, we too are about to enter new territory. The year is drawing to a close and we are about to step into another year. It has been an eventful year. Many things have happened that we never faced before. Some things had happened that were quite familiar. Yet, we do not know what tomorrow or the next weeks, months, or year will bring our way.

The past is done. It is over and done with. We cannot issue a recall against it. We cannot alter its events. Our deeds have been recorded (Revelation 20:12) and

we will be judged by them. What will be said of our lives? Did we improve? Did we backslide? Did we become stronger? Or are we fading away? We can only change the direction of our feet. The past is done, but what is your future like? It is time for us to stir ourselves into better service for the Lord.

*"And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. 12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. 13 Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. 14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts."* Romans 13:11-14.

-La Vista Church of Christ

HOPING FOR YOU TO HAVE A VERY  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members:** Remember Faye Travis (now home), Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Carolyn Byars, Mary and Jim Lowrie, and Mary and Jesse Vincent.

**Family and Friends:** Helen Tidwell, Jenne Pool, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, , Janice Canter, , Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Sandra Cook Downs, Kevin Smith, Walter Lee Steely, Dale Pentecost and Jaime Aguavo, Jr.

- **WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY:** As the COVID-19 virus continues to spread we need to continue to observe all safety measures. Please continue to pray for those who have contacted the virus and for those treating them. We will continue meeting each Sunday morning at 10:00 am for worship and on Wednesday at 7:00 pm for Bible study.
- **PANTRY ITEMS December 2020:** 6—Peanut Butter; 13—Mixed Vegetables; 20—Canned Meats; 27—Creamed Corn. Please bring any additional items you wish for the “blessing box” which is located next to the breezeway on the north side of the building.
- **December 2020 Anniversaries:** 17—Mary & Jesse Vincent; 22—Marjorie & Hayes Grady. **Birthdays:** 5—Nathan Hale; 7—Mike Ernstberger; 9—Debbie Ernstberger; 12 -Wanda Barrett (Murray Paris RD); 12—Jesse Vincent; 14—Faye Travis; 18—Wanda Barrett (Green Plain RD); 16—Cody Canter; 17—Marie Wyatt; 18—Rex Enoch; 21—Larry Enoch; If we have left anyone out please let us know.
- **We offer FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES through the mail. Enroll on our website or send your name and return mailing address to the address on the first page of this bulletin. You may also call 270-978-7569 or you may email us at [greenplain@greenplainchurchofchrist.org](mailto:greenplain@greenplainchurchofchrist.org).**

## ONLINE SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Gospel Broadcasting Network  
<https://gbntv.org/>

World Video Bible School  
<https://store.wvbs.org/wvbs-splashpage.html>

A Bible Answer  
<https://abibleanswertv.org/>

Good News Today  
<http://gnttv.org/>

In Search of the Lord's Way  
<http://searchtv.org/>



## BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

**This Week:** On what day of the week did God “rest” from all the work He had done in the creation?

**Last Week:** What event did Paul say to the church in Rome “declared” Jesus “to be the Son of God with power?”

**Answer:** The resurrection of Jesus from the dead (Romans 1:4).

## A HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW

By Jonnie Hutchison

A hundred years from now, assuming our God allows time to continue, most of us will have finished our earthly journey. We will have passed through the "valley of the shadow of death" and either have been accompanied by angels into the comfort of paradise or we will have "lifted up our eyes being in torments" (Luke 16:19ff). What mattered to us most in life will no longer matter. All the material things we possessed will no longer concern us. The earthly treasures we could not take with us when we left the confines of this life will be meaningless. A hundred years from now our existence will be either tremendous joy and comfort or deep regret and constant despair. Which, dear reader, will you be experiencing a hundred years from now?

The truth is that you have it within your ability to decide what you will experience a hundred

years from now. You have the ability to accept God's offer of salvation through Jesus Christ (John 3:16; Romans 5:8-9; Hebrews 5:8-9). You can prepare yourself to face the day of your death with the greatest of confidence by submitting your will to the will of God (Matthew 7:21). A hundred years from now you will be glad you made the decision to become a Christian and faithfully serve the Lord until the day of your death. Then you can honestly say, "*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing*" (2 Timothy 4:7-8).

Dear reader, where will you be a hundred years from now? Think about it!

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### "IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE"

Recently several ladies in the congregation put together gift bags to take to the hospital in Murray which were distributed by hospital staff to Covid-19 patients. These gift bags contained items such as Chapstick, soft peppermints, tissues, raisins, word search books, hot chocolate, fruits etc. Their contact at the hospital sent the following report of the results of this act of kindness by our ladies:

"I wanted you ladies to know what your goody bag has done for others. We have given 10 out so far and the difference it makes for them is astounding. One patient of mine I nicknamed "Grumpy" and it changed his attitude completely. He had foul language and such a foul attitude and surprisingly that bag of goodies changed him towards me and my trainee. He wasn't just super sweet by any means but he had respect and I could tell it made him change his outlook that others cared to do this for him.

One other patient who is in his 50's and has been in and out a lot was touched. He is normally on the call light nonstop for crack-

ers and stuff. They gave him a goody bag and he stopped calling out. Everyone who went in his room he had to tell them some church ladies sent him a package and showed them everything he got. He had several pages of word search done before morning too.

One little lady just cried and said no one had thought to do such for her. Then a man I had last night immediately tore into it like a kid would to see what he had and then kept the bag in the bed with him.

Thank You all so much!! It really puts things into perspective that simple things we all take for granted can be such a joy in times such as this. I am so grateful for my Christian family and the love we have for others!! What you did is making a difference for others this week and that means a great deal. Sometimes no matter how much medicine and procedures we do to care for a patient it takes caring and support to lift someone up to fight. Without visitors and only seeing staff suited up in such a way it makes you feel alone and so much despair. One lady just

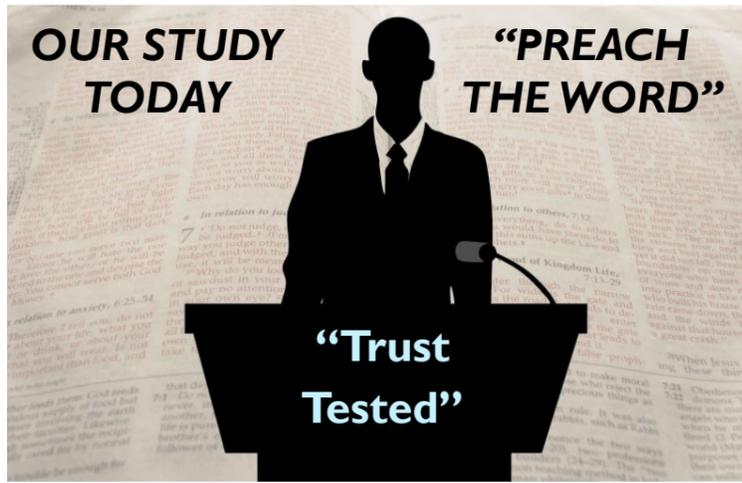
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**COME VISIT WITH US**

The church building is located southeast of Murray one mile off highway 641 - Near the corner of the Green Plain and Murray Paris Roads. We look forward to seeing you! A warm and friendly welcome awaits!

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buried her husband and got it at his funeral so she felt she had little to fight for. She was touched by your actions of love and compassion and was doing a lot better when I left this morning.  
Thank You all!"

**Editors Note:** The Bible says to be "kind to one another, tenderhearted...." (Ephesians 4:32). Acts of kindness may lead to open hearts receptive to the saving message of the gospel. Let us pray for all lost souls and do what we are able to do to lead them to salvation.



**Don't FORGET!**

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

**7:00 PM**

**A Study of 1 Timothy**

**STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED**

